

Who – Golfers and learners with some experience (parents and carers welcome). Cost – \$10 for 18 holes, \$5 for nine holes. Catering and refreshments available. Prizes and incentives.  
Dede Downs, Waitomo District Co-ordinator, 878 7867 or 0274 853 692.

## Children's Work

### Zebong

Today we had a storyteller named Zebong which was really funny because he was humorous and he has good body language and expression. It was funny when he chose characters for his story but the funniest thing was when he chose all of the teachers to play a part in it. After morning tea he came in to our class again to give us a heads up about speeches and it was funny because he would tell us about his days at school.

By Roimata

Zebong is a storyteller he has been telling stories ever since he was 21 yrs old. He has been hearing amazing stories around the world. He told us a story about his childhood when he first went to school. I enjoyed the way he involved the audience and the way he changed his voice from little to big which gave us a fright. I enjoyed it while Zebong was here for the day.

By Angel

Zebong is a storyteller. He goes to many schools in the world including our school. He was funny. He changed his voice, he even involved the audience, and he used eye contact. He drew you into watching him. It was very interesting. His facials were funny.

By Ratapu

Today we had Zebong come to our School. Zebong told us a story that he heard from his Grandfather. He involved the audience and used body language and he used expression. I think Zebong is funny and he is a good story teller.

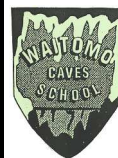
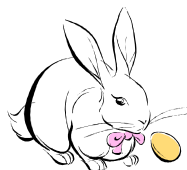
By Te Hurinui

## What's Coming Up At Waitomo Caves School

2 May	Term 2 begins
9 May	Kick-Start to School classes resume
12 May	Kids for Kids concert rehearsal
12 May	Kids for Kids evening performance
16 May	Young Leaders Conference, Rotorua
17 May	Next Board meeting

EVERYONE HAVE A WONDERFUL HOLIDAY AND A RELAXING EASTER BREAK

Mrs Tamae Dimond  
Principal ☺



# Newsletter

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Whaia te ara totika – Make the Right Choice

Term One 2011

Week Eleven – 15 April

Dear Parents and Friends of the School

Tena Koutou Katoa

### Fundraising

On Saturday 16 April (tomorrow) two fundraising events are taking place in Waitomo. The money raised from these events will go directly towards subsidising your child/ren's camp costs.

#### Dagging – Verry's Farm

Need as many people as we can. Shearers or non-shearers, there's a job for you! 8.00am start at 823 Waipuna Road (approx 5 kms from Te Anga Road intersection). School will provide sausages for lunch. Parents, we need cakes, baking, biscuits for morning and afternoon tea. Also salad's and bread for lunch.



#### Rugby Club Dinner – Waitomo Pavilion



Jobs involve meal preparation, serving, cleaning dishes, tidy up. 3.00pm start at the Pavilion. Parents, we need donations of roast meat. Please contact the school if you have a roast to donate.

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### Raffles

There are several tickets still on sale for the Easter Raffle. Children have been taking these home to sell to family, friends and neighbours. The fundraising committee have started selling the second raffle. There are five draws with prizes consisting of caving trips, dinner vouchers and café vouchers kindly donated by our local businesses. Batch will be selling these outside Woolworths in Otorohanga on Wednesday 20 April. Please help him out and go along to support.

The winner of our \$100 note raffle went to ticket number 5. Alex Thomson.

### **Sports**

Our school will be fielding four soccer teams this year and there's been a great feeling amongst the children during training sessions. All teams will train again on Friday 6 May straight after school. The first soccer games for the season will begin on Saturday 7 May.

We can confirm there will be no hockey teams this year. There was not enough interest and the consensus was that soccer was sufficient for now.

### **World Vision Kids for Kids Concert**

Please re-read the booklet that was sent home to families on Monday. The children will travel by bus to Hamilton for the rehearsal leaving school at 7.45am and return to school by 1.45pm. Following this children will go home for the afternoon to rest and prepare for the evening performance.

We will need parent transport to travel back to Hamilton for the evening show. All students are required to be back stage by 6.45pm so we will need to meet at school ready to leave by 5.30pm.

To be part of the audience families and friends will need to book with Ticketek 0800 842 538 or [www.ticketek.co.nz](http://www.ticketek.co.nz). Adults \$18 and \$16 Child/student \$12 and \$10.

### **Kick-Start to School Classes**

These pre-school classes resume on Monday 9 May, the Monday of week two. We look forward to welcoming some new students to Kick-Start classes.

### **School Pool**

The school pool will officially close today. Thank you Rachel and staff for your commitment with swimming this term. All students who diligently brought their swim gear to school all term also need to be congratulated for their commitment to swimming. In the past, our school community and

staff have emphasised the importance of swimming and water safety skills which adds to the special character of our school. Individual efforts and achievements were recognised in today's community assembly. Thank you Batch for all your support and expertise in maintaining the pool. Things would have been difficult without your commitment.

Thank you to the Centenary Committee for providing a pool cover and reel. This contributed to warm water temperatures when the weather began to cool over recent weeks.

We would ask that all key holders please return their pool key during the first week of school next term. Thank you.

### **Kamishibai**

Our sincere thanks go to John Fryday for donating the Kauri for the Kamishibai. We would also like to thank Rob Drew for kindly making this fantastic resource and donating his time and expertise to the school.

### **Barbara Hall**

Many people have been asking after Barbara and how things are going. Barbara has been in contact and she has settled well in Hamilton. She and the twins are visiting Waitomo next week. Cheyenne and Tasman celebrate their eleventh birthday today. Happy birthday boys!

### **Colgate Toothpaste Cartons**

Please read the attached flyer and collect cartons for our school.

## **Community News**

**Swimathon** Saturday 30 April – Sunday 1 May, 12 noon to 12 noon, 24 hours Te Kuiti Swimming Pool. Swim to Christchurch approx 600km, \$60 per team, 6 swimmers max. For more info see staff at the pool or phone Michelle 878 8608 or 027 505 8952. All proceeds go to Canterbury swimming clubs affected by the earthquake.

**Waitomo – School Holiday Activities Sport Waikato Waitomo District Badminton** – Tuesday 19 April at 1pm

Where – Waitomo Stadium Te Kuiti (next to Pukenui School)

Who – For all primary and secondary school students (parents, carers welcome). Cost – Gold coin, spot prizes, games and skills coaching with SportsForce Development officer Phil Paterson.

**Junior Golf Tournament** - Wednesday 20 April at 10am

Where – Waitomo Golf & Country Club